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Marjorie Rowell Named Minority Small Business Advocate of the Year

Riverton – The Wyoming District Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has named Marjorie (Margie) Rowell, Small Business Development Center, Minority Small Business Advocate of the Year 2003.

This award is given to an individual whose voluntary efforts advance minority small business interests and improve conditions in the minority small business community, provide professional services to minority small businesses and demonstrate accomplishments in advising minority small business groups of opportunities within the overall business community. The President of the United States recognizes contributions of the small business community to the American economy and society by proclamation each year.

Margie is a Certified Public Accountant has been a Business Counselor with the Small Business Development Center for approximately three years. She provides counseling services in Fremont and Teton Counties and has the opportunity to work with the Native American population in Fremont county and the Latino population in Teton County. "Margie's devotion to her work far exceeds her job requirements," says Carmina Oaks, Executive Director of the Latino Resource Center. According to those individuals supporting Margie's nomination, "She earns trust with an ability to place herself in the shoes of those she helps and commits many hours of her own time each month engaging in activities to assist these entrepreneurs."